Remarks

It is respectfully requested that claims 1, 2 and 4 - 9 be reconsidered for allowance in view of this Preliminary Amendment and these Remarks.

The Specification has been amended to remove extraneous pages, to insert a page break at the end of the Specification, and to correct numerous translation inaccuracies involving terminology and syntax. A new Abstract is submitted on a separate page to replace to original Abstract which was in an improper image format. No new matter is introduced by these amendments.

A new formal drawing is filed herewith to replace the originally filed drawing. Claims 3 and 10-15 have been cancelled.

Claims 1, 2 and 4 - 9 have been extensively amended to improve their clarity, to eliminate multiple dependencies, and to make the claims conform to US practice.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of original claim 3.

In conclusion, it is believed that this application is in condition for allowance, and such allowance is respectfully requested.

Any fees or charges due as a result of filing of the present paper may be charged against Deposit Account 04-0525.

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